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Selectmen vote to support EMF legislation

By Edward J. Cooney

MILLBURY - The November 24 Selectmen's meeting convened at 7:05 p.m. with a quorum of three members having been reached. Chairman Jude Cristo arrived at 8:15 p.m., and Selectman Roland Lachance was not present.

The Board met with the Electro-Magnetic Field (EMF) Hazards Study Committee who gave an update on what its Chairman, Dr. Alexander Belisle, noted has been fast moving action due to recent scientific reports from Sweden, Denmark and Norway supporting the Committee's concerns with the potential health effects from the electro-magnetic fields generated by power company transmission and distribution lines.

Belisle also reported that at a recent meeting with Mass Electric V.P. and District Manager Nancy Sala, the question was asked what the company's policy is relative to mitigating emf's. He said Sala's response was that the power company will do nothing more than it is required to do by law.

Belisle made reference to a Swedish study released September 30, which, he said, answers many of the objections previously raised by skeptics and the utility companies. The 20-year study, which observed 500,000 people living within 1,000 feet of high voltage transmission lines, reported a definitive connection between cancer and exposure to emf's. The study, as reported in the September/October 1992 issue of Microwave News, "found that children exposed to average fields of 3 mG (milligaus) or more in their homes had close to four times the expected rate of leukemia." The study also found that "men exposed to similar levels of magnetic fields at work had three times the expected incidence of chronic lymphocytic leukemia (CLL)."

Belisle also referred to Danish and Norwegian studies, some of the results of which were also published in the September/October issue of Microwave News . The Danish Cancer Registry "announced that children living near high voltage power lines with magnetic field exposures of 1 mG or more had a statistically significant fivefold elevated risk of lymphoma, as compared with controls."

According to Microwave News, the Norwegian study reported "that male electrical workers with a 'long duration of employment' had a statistically significant 40% increase in acute and chronic leukemia. The highest risks were among radio and TV repairmen, radio and telegraph operators, and power line workers."

Belisle then produced a map showing that "at least a quarter of the town of Millbury" falls within a thousand foot delineation, as tested in the Swedish report, including some highly populated areas. He also said that many of the people living within the 1,000 foot delineation receive more than the average 3 mG reported in the Swedish study. "Some receive as high as 80 milligaus," he said.

"What we have done, since New England Power is doing nothing," Belisle said, "is to write legislation. We have met with Senator Amorello who reviewed with us the legislation and made suggestions."

The legislation consists of five bills:

- The first bill would require anyone selling a home or property within 1,000 feet of a high voltage transmission line to notify buyers of the potential health hazards associated with exposures to EMF.

- The second bill would prevent the utilities from passing on the cost of mitigating EMF exposures to ratepayers by forcing corrective action to come from their profits.

- A third bill would require all utilities to set aside 5% of profits after taxes and expenses to be used to correct residential exposure over 2 milligaus created by high voltage transmission lines (69 kilovolts and up) and distribution lines.

- A fourth bill would require the utilities to inform their employees of health studies which indicate potential or actual adverse health effects.

- The fifth bill would require all transmission and distribution lines to allow no spillage of EMF to exceed 2 mG beyond the legal right-of-way boundaries.

The legislation will be discussed in detail at a scheduled December 17 EMF committee meeting. It is expected that Senator Matthew Amorello, Rep. Paul Kollios, and Rep. Barbara Gardner, Chairman of the House Electro-Magnetic Radiation Hazards Task Force, will be present for that 7:00 p.m. meeting in the town hall.

EMF Committee member Jack Chiras remarked that until recently he was the "resident skeptic" on the committee. However, he said, after listening to a recent presentation by Dr. Douglas Brugge of MassCOSH and after reviewing the recent Swedish study, he is no longer skeptical. He also said

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'Off to see the Wizard'

CHRONICLE photos by Alexander A. Belisle

SUTTON - Fifth grade students at the Sutton Elementary School delighted friends and family members with a production of "The Wizard of Oz" November 20 and 21st under the direction of Arthur Sacco, Jr.. Cast members (above) included Molly Johnson as "Glinda the Good" and Anne Corron as the "Wicked Witch."

Other cast members included: Molly O'Reagan, Philip Palumbo, Ryan Shephard, Michael Fusaro, Michael Gravison, Conor O'Sullivan, Moses Sprott, Ryan Deliso, Jonathan Capomacchio, Peter Lefferts, Melissa Lefebvre, Shawn Gauvin, Anne Corron, Molly Johnson, Rebecca Farley, Amy Geer, Jennifer Neal, Jeremy Geary, Jaimie Anderson, Emily Audette, Kevin Blanchard, Erica Boulay, Laura Briggs, Melissa Brown, Jade Charpentier, John Cofske, Kara Fontaine, Amanda Kangas, Rebecca Lavallee, Jay McLaughlin, Casey Noel, Parag Patel, Sarah Vigeant, Melinda Watts, Christine Williams, Christopher Windle, James Jenkins, Joseph Setterlund, Nicholas Sullivan, Alana Gagne, Michael Niedzwiecki. Marc Bousquet, Eva Machonis, Jill McCollum, Dane Rider, Susan Szajna, Alexandra Borghesi, Jeremy Brown, Brendan Donovan, Justin Mayotte, Jason Rodowicz, Rose Finne, Jeffrey Johnson, Brett Lambert, Tasha Legere, Troy Olson, Shannon Stone, John Tefft, Stephanie Young, Keith Anyon, Thomas Bentley, Courtney Dowd, Nicole Eisnor, Jill McCollum, Briana McNeil, Alison Palermo, Jessica Smith, Misty Gallant, Amy Geer, Danielle Kelley, Brenna Morin, Jennifer Neal, Katherine Walsh, Melanie Cadrin, Shelly Capistron, Lora Carreau, Christina Carra, Lindsey Ducharme, Danielle Gosselin, Jessica Guerin, Pamela Johnson, Valerie Johnson, Stephanie Kaczynski, Crystal Peterson, Heather Tyan, and Lacey Young.

Also helping out at the musical were ushers (l-r) Schuyller Andrew, Jared Herman, and Justin King

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- The tenants of the Millbury Housing Authority Congregate Housing Program would like to thank the Millbury Lion's Club for the Spaghetti Dinner they served for us in our community room. A good time was had by all. They would also like to thank the Millbury Lioness Club for the generous Turkey Dinner they thoughtfully prepared for us.

Obituaries

Dorothy C. (Wagner) Merlin

MILLBURY - Dorothy C. (Wagner) Merlin, 83, of 451 Colonial Drive, died November 23rd in St. Vincent Hospital, Worcester, after a short illness.

Her husband was the late Edward B. Merlin. She leaves two sons, Stuart B. Merlin of Largo, Florida and Lee F. Merlin of Jefferson; four daughters, Claire V. VanKonynenburg of Palm Harbor, Florida, Avis D. Anderson of Sutton, Sandra J. Gilbert of Millbury, and Donna L. Kane of Nashua, NH; a brother, Donald F. Tabbut of Winthrop; thirty-five grandchildren; thirty-six great grandchildren, three great great grandchildren, and nieces and nephews. She was born in Boston, daughter of Clair and Lulu (Drew) Wagner and lived here many years.

Mrs. Merlin was a secretary and nurse at the former Memorial Hospital in Worcester for 12 years, retiring in 1970.

She was a member of the Millbury Baptist Church and its Women's Council, and graduated from high school in Boston.

Funeral services were held November 27th in the Mulhane Home for Funerals, 45 Main Street. The Rev. H. Raeburn Cameron officiated. Burial was in Union Cemetery, Bellingham. Memorial contributions may be made to the Memorial Fund of the Millbury Baptist Church, P.O. Box 222, Millbury, MA 01527.

David G. "Putt" Putnam

MILLBURY - David G. "Putt" Putnam, 27, of 12 Memorial Drive, formerly of Sutton, was pronounced dead on arrival November 21st at St. Vincent Hospital, Worcester, after being stricken ill at home.

He leaves a son, David A. Frazier of Millbury; a daughter, Nicole Lyons of Whitinsville; his mother, Diane S. (DeBoer) Putnam Wilson, and his stepfather, Richard Wilson, both of Millbury; a sister, Tammy J. Putnam of Millbury; two brothers, Robert Hebert of Melbourne, Florida and Scott Putnam of Sutton; two stepsisters, Christine Grady of Sutton and Linda Bergeron of Whitinsville; his paternal grandmother, Ruth (Shaw) Putnam of Sutton; his maternal grandfather, George DeBoer of Wilkinsonville, and his girlfriend, Terry Lyons of Whitinsville. He was born in Whitinsville and lived in Sutton until moving to Millbury a few years ago. His father, David J. "Pudgy" Putnam, died four years ago.

Mr. Putnam was an insulator for the New England Power Company in Sommerset, for eighteen months. He formerly worked at the Putnam Saw Mill in Sutton for many years and was a former cook at the Blue Jay Family Restaurant in Sutton.

He was a member of the First Congregational Church in Sutton and graduated from Sutton High School in 1983. He played in the Sutton softball league for the Blue Jay softball team and Hathaway Motor's softball team, and in the Millbury softball league for the J&S Remodeling softball team.

Funeral services were held November 24th in Mulhane Home for Funerals, 45 Main Street. The Rev. Walter E. Reynolds Jr. officiated. Burial was in West Sutton Cemetery, Sutton. Memorial contributions may be made to a trust fund to benefit Mr. Putnam's children in care of Millbury Savings Bank, 109 Elm St., Millbury, MA 01527.

Volunteers sought for PB

MILLBURY - The Millbury Board of Selectmen is seeking two volunteers to serve on the Personnel Board of the Town. If interested, contact the Selectmen's office at 865-4710.

Correction

The name of the park in last week's front page photo should have read "Thomas E. Moorey Jr. Park."

Only Bagged Trash

MILLBURY - Only bagged household trash will be accepted at the transfer station until the end of the year. This is to keep within the town's allotted tonnage to Wheelabrator for 1992.

CALENDAR

FRIDAY, DECEMBER 4

SUTTON - The third annual Santa on the Common sponsored by the Sutton Recreation Commission will take place today, Saturday, and Sunday at the Manchaug Library. Santa will arrive at 5 p.m. today.

SATURDAY, DECEMBER 5

MILLBURY - Millbury Camp Fire will hold its Christmas Fair at the Elmwood Street School from 9-2 p.m.

MILLBURY - Santa will be present for breakfast at the Millbury Federated Church from 8-9:30 a.m. Tickets are $3.00 for adults and $1.50 for children under 10.

SUTTON - The First Congregational Church of Sutton will host a Roast Beef Supper with sittings at 5 and 6:15 p.m. $6.00 adults, $2.00 preteens, children 5 and under, free.

SUNDAY, DECEMBER 6

MILLBURY - Pancake Breakfast at Assumption Church, Waters Street, 8-11 a.m. $2.50 for adults; $1.50 for children.

MONDAY, DECEMBER 7

MILLBURY - Millbury Woman's Club will hold its December meeting beginning with a mini lunch at noon. The meeting will feature a Christmas party and gift swap.

THURSDAY, DECEMBER 10

MILLBURY - The Women's Council of the Millbury Baptist Church will host an Italian Buffet Luncheon from 11:30 a.m. to 1:15 p.m. in the Fellowship Hall of the church on Main Street next to the common. $4.75 per person.

MILLBURY - The Women's Fellowship of the First Congregational Church on West Main Street will hold a monthly meeting at 7:30 p.m. A "Christmas Tea" will be held and followed by a Christmas gift wrap.

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he was disappointed that the study had to come from another country. "It appears the power company's response is that they will take action on this issue when they are forced to do so," Chiras said.

Chiras then discussed a proposed N.E. Power Company tap line which would follow along through Millbury into a right of way in the northeast corner of town into the Bloomingdale substation in Worcester. "We have an opportunity, based upon the tap line under consideration, to make a resolution to force the power company to do something in regards to the people in Millbury. Since this is a new line," Chiras continued, "we have the opportunity to ask them to limit the emf's coming out of that line. In the past, we considered 4 mG as a standard unit of measurement at the edge of the right of way. Based on the Swedish study, we now thing 2 mG is more reasonable. It will be a shame if some day people look back at this opportunity and see that we took no action to protect the people in this area. We are asking you tonight, if possible, to vote a resolution and a letter to New England Power\Mass Electric that you would like, if that line is put in, to make an effort that the emf's at the edge of that right-of-way not exceed 2 mG. That will be a positive step forward," he said. "Your actions, plus the actions of the state, will certainly call attention to Millbury, that we have a potential time bomb on our hands here. It is not a time for alarm, but it is a time for concern."

EMF Committee member Robin Janson-Dumais addressed the issue of property values, noting the recent increase in media reports on the Swedish study. "Property values are being questioned," she said, "as related to those of us who live in proximity to power transmission and distribution lines. We had concerns with the negative effects on property values, but public awareness itself is showing more concern which creates hesitation when people look at property. It's an area we need to address," she said. "The positive side, however, is that the public demand for change will help us."

Janson-Dumais also referred to Congressmen Richard Neal's introductory visit to the selectmen last August. At that board meeting, she said, Neal indicated "he would listen to the concerns of local government but that it is not his policy to listen to citizen action groups. We have to send a strong message to our legislators," she said, "that we are unified and representative of the entire community and are not just a citizens action group."

Joseph Bianculli, also a Committee member, addressed the issue of a need for $500 for expenses to include a meter to read the levels of EMF for the anticipated health study the committee will be conducting in town, a tape recorder, a subscription to Micro-Wave News, and for in-state travel for anticipated trips to the State House for hearings on the proposed bills.

EMF committee member Terry Burke Dotson asked the Selectmen for their support for time-use through CMRPC for a map(s) for the town which could assist the issues being addressed. The Board suggested she work through the Planning Board for that request.

At the request of the EMF Committee, the Board voted 4-0 to send a letter to Congressman Neal and local legislators stating their support of the proposed legislation.

The board also voted 4-0 to send a letter to Mass. Electric in support of the EMF committee's request that the proposed line through East Millbury limit the exposure of EMF to 2 milligaus at abutters' property lines.

Belisle proposed that a packet of information on this issue be available for public viewing. It was suggested that the material be placed in the library.

Insurance Premiums

Millbury resident Elizabeth Maloney was present to question why there is a difference in the percentage of health insurance premiums paid by the town for retirees and current town employees.

Board member Donald Gauthier remarked that Chase said that has always been the case. "Nothing has changed," he said.

Maloney replied, "Oh yes it has." She said some retirees who subscribe to Pilgrim Health Care, which is an HMO, were told the town would pay 90%. "I was told recently the town would only pay 75%, and I would like an answer to why the difference?"

Gauthier asked her where she received her information.

Chase replied that he may have said that initially "but, since July 1st," he said, "we did contract problems and it would have gone to 75%."

"What problems?" Gauthier asked.

Chase replied, "Certainly anyone under the contract would continue under the 90%."

Maloney asked who made the determination to "discriminate against the retirees going on to HMO's from an indemnity plan from which they were forced to move to go into an HMO, and then be penalized by the percentage. Who made that decision," she asked, "and isn't it covered by state law that for HMO's you pay 90%?

Chase replied that 90% is the maximum. "We can't go over 90%," he said, "but we could go as low as 50%."

Maloney again questioned how the town can pay 75% for some and 90% for others.

"Any of the contract negotiations can have a different rate," Chase replied.

Selectman Gerry Bleau also said the percentage was a contract item and, as such, the issue was not one of equality.

Maloney said her interpretation of what Bleau was saying was that the retirees should have their own union.

Bleau said he did not intend to give that impression. He said that there are different contracts for the different unions represented in the town. "All groups are unequal," he said.

Maloney asked if any of the people have been notified that they are paying 25% of the premiums.

Chase said they would have noticed a difference in the bills.

Maloney said many of the retirees would not question the change.

Gauthier promised that the full Board would discuss the matter at another meeting.

Miscellaneous

- The Election Laws Committee will hold a hearing in Boston on December 3 at 2 p.m. in Room B-1 at the State House on the town's petition for an enabling act to put a recall and referendum question on the ballot for a vote at an annual town election in Millbury.

- The Board approved a recommendation from the Fire Chief, Deputy Fire Chief, and Fire Alarm Inspector to sell the town's 60-year-old fire alarm boxes.

Police Business

The Board met with Police Chief Richard Handfield who gave his recommendation for a four-way stop at Riverlin and Grafton Streets as an interim safety measure at the intersection. He said a full signification system would be too costly to the town at this time. Handfield said he would first be checking with the Police Chief in Upton to see how their installation of a four way stop has worked.

The Board took no action pending Handfield's report on the feasibility of the proposal.

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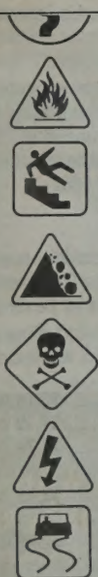

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In a matter addressed by the Chief relative to a request from Ray's True Value that the store be allowed to open on Sundays, the Board voted to support the Chief's recommendation to approve the request. He noted similar requests from liquor stores are to be addressed by the State Alcoholic Beverage Commission.

146 Project

The Board, after some discussion, voted to send a letter to the appropriate state agencies regarding a verbal commitment from the state for funds for the development of a second industrial park in exchange for the board's support of the 146 project. Cristo said the state is not taking the town seriously.

The Board will also provide written testimony concerning the Environmental Impact Report. Cristo said there are many issues and concerns for the town which need to be addressed by the state. "If not," he said, "we could have another New Braintree."

Cristo said that what is coming out of "Franklin Street in Worcester (a reference to the Telegram & Gazette), what is being said by a judge (Queenan, who spoke at a recent public hearing on the project) and spokespeople from the Blackstone Valley is, they are telling us how great it is for them and how great it is for us. Well they don't live here," Cristo said. "We, in good faith, supported it. I'm sick and tired of being told now that we never made application (for a grant). At this point that isn't the issue, but that the state said they would give us a grant."

Selectman Bernard Plante said he was glad the Blackstone Valley would benefit, but noted that Millbury is the one town being inconvenienced by the loss of revenue. "We are the only ones giving anything," he said.

The Board also voted unanimously to send a letter to Governor Weld and Lt. Gov. Paul Cellucci explaining the town's position and the lack of follow-through by state officials on a promise that was made.

Bagged Trash

The Selectmen met with the Board of Health (BOH) concerning complaints they have received over limiting residents to the disposal of bagged trash at the transfer station until January 1, 1993.

At last week's meeting, Cristo raised the issue of unfairness in placing the burden for reducing the trash flow to the transfer station on the residents in town while allowing commercial trash haulers to use the transfer station without similar restrictions.

BOH member Jim Morin said the town has already exceeded its allotted tonnage at Wheelabrator. He said the amount of trash going through the transfer station was reduced by 20 tons the first week the restriction was in place.

Both Morin and BOH member Tom Brown said the BOH was aware last summer that there was a possibility that the town could exceed its tonnage allotment. Morin attributed that possibility to additional waste in the trash stream from the Telegram and Gazette, Coppus Engineering and Jen Manufacturing.

Cristo said the residents are being treated differently than commercial haulers and other trash users.

Morin said a ban or restriction on the haulers could put them out of business. He said the BOH has met with Wheelabrator officials and discussed the overage. Wheelabrator indicated that if the town shows a good faith effort, they will forgive the overage. "Not if it was 500 tons," Cristo said.

Morin and Brown agreed. Morin also said that the Board will be beginning an audit of commercial trash tonnage after the 1st of the year with a goal of establishing how much is actually being put into the waste stream. "Possibly a point would be reached where a cap would be placed on the amount of tonnage allowed without penalty, and if it was to exceed a cap," he said, "a fee would be paid to bring that to Wheelabrator."

Gauthier noted that people who are holding back their trash now will only dump it all in January.

Morin said the townspeople are fortunate that they have the use of the transfer station without restriction ten months of the year. "Other towns around have not the same advantages," he said.

Ron McCrohan, owner of the Elm Drafthouse Theatre, explained that he has a unique problem because of a lack of space for a dumpster. He said he is now restricted to bagged trash.

Morin said the Board was not aware of his situation.

A resident asked who was responsible for enforcing the restrictions at the transfer station. He was told the employees are, and if there are any problems, they are to call the police.

It was also stated that town departments are sending trucks down with trash "and that doesn't seem fair."

Cristo agreed and suggested that a memo be sent to all town departments to clarify the issue as it was also brought out that many town departments already have dumpsters on site. "It becomes a matter of 'do as I say, not what I do,'" said Cristo.

Hauler George D'Auteuil, who also serves as the town's recycler, emphasized that the haulers are in effect saving transportation costs for the town when they do the trucking and that fees to the town are increased as well.

Bleau, who was on vacation when the restriction first came out, said he was tracked down in South Carolina by a resident who complained about the bagged trash restriction.

Morin suggested that any complaints be referred to the Board of Health.

School Lunch Menus

WEEK OF DECEMBER 7-11
MILLBURY JR./SR. HIGH SCHOOL
MONDAY: Link Sausages, French Toast Stix, FF, Applesauce
TUESDAY: Cheeseburger/Roll, FF, Carrots, Jello/Topping
WEDNESDAY: Baconburger/Roll, Lettuce & Tomato, FF, Fruit
THURSDAY: Pizzaroni, FF, Green Beans, Garlic Bread, Brownie
FRIDAY: Fish Sandwich (with cheese), FF, Carrots, Celery Stix, Pudding
ELEMENTARY SCHOOLS
MONDAY: chicken nuggets, FF, Pan Roll/butter, assorted fruit
TUESDAY: Hot Dog/Roll, FF, Baked Beans, Jello/Topping
WEDNESDAY: Baconburger/Roll, lettuce & tomato, Potato Puffs, Fruit
THURSDAY: Oven Baked Chicken, Mashed Potato, Carrots, Cranberry Sauce, Pan Roll/Butter, Brownie
FRIDAY: Juice, Pizza, Tossed Salad, Rice Krispie Squares

Super Park Meeting

MILLBURY - The Millbury Super Park Committee will not hold a December meeting. The committee will meet again on Wednesday, January 27 in the Millbury Town Hall at 7:30 p.m. Anyone interested in volunteering would be welcomed. For more information, call Jan Morin at 865-5652.

Kollios office hours

BOSTON - Representative Paul Kollios will hold office hours in Millbury on December 8 from 6-7 p.m. in the Selectmen's Office at the Town Hall. He will also be at the Senior Center on December 3. To meet with Kollios at his district office in Auburn, call 832-9845 or (617)722-2291 for an appointment.

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Jessica George Captures Sutton Lions Youth Speech Competition

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Present for the Youth Speech Competition: (l-r) Jerry Anderson, Sutton Lions Club President; Jen Moore; Brandon Kibbe; first place winner Jessica George; Allison Fox; and Richard Ferrucci, District and State Youth Speech Competition Chairman.

SUTTON - Jessica George, daughter of Sam and Judith Barrett of Mendon Road, Sutton, captured first place in the recent Club level Competition of the Sutton Lions Club District 233A Youth Speech Contest. She topped three other Sutton High School Seniors, all of whom spoke on the topic, "American Democracy: Fact or Fiction?" Other contestants included Brandon Kibbe, son of Mr. and Mrs. Bradley Kibbe; Allison Fox, daughter of Mr. & Mrs. William Fox; and Jennifer Moore, daughter of Mr. & Mrs. David Moore, all of Sutton.

"We can't say enough about the quality level of the presentation of these four contestants," said Club President and Event Chairman Jerry Anderson. "They each put a great deal of thought and effort into their speeches, and it was very much appreciated by everyone present. There were no losers this evening. They should be proud of their efforts."

Judges for the event included Lester Aldrich, Karen Moran, and Dr. Jefferson Breen.

"The judges had a tough job tonight," Anderson said. "We appreciate their participation and support for this event. Special thanks also to Sutton H.S. Government Class Teacher Paul Henrickson for his support in encouraging these outstanding young men and women to compete."

The Sutton Lions also extend a special thanks to Acting Principal Veto Filipkowski for his support of this event. "We have many outstanding students at Sutton High, and this competition further confirmed that," said Anderson.

Ms. George was scheduled to represent the Sutton Lions Club at the Zone 4 Level Competition on December 1st in Oxford.

Library Cookie Exchange

MILLBURY - The Millbury Public Library, 128 Elm Street, will celebrate the holiday season with its annual cookie exchange on Thursday, December 10. Join the library staff at 7 PM around the fireplace in the main reading room as everyone exchanges home-baked cookies by the dozens. Everyone is asked to bring three dozen of their own home-baked cookies and recipes to exchange. While library elves are busy sorting and wrapping cookies for you to take home, relax and enjoy seasonal refreshments and desserts. Registration is necessary. To register, simply call 865-1181.

Woman's Club to Meet

MILLBURY - Millbury Woman's Club will hold its December meeting on the 7th, beginning with a mini lunch from noon to 12:45 p.m. The meeting will feature a Christmas party and gift swap ($5 limit). Co-chairwomen for this event are Ellen Norton and Carolina Pescheta. They will be assisted by: Thelma Swedberg, Mildred Stowe, Helen White, Mary Mulhane, Matilda Maguire, Betty Stockwell, Lora Turgeon, and Elaine Loehmann.

Another Point of View

Xenophobia!

By Lawrence Moore

"Change," the word most frequently used during the 1992 Election season, did not reflect what people felt, deep in their hearts. Actually, people are "xenophobic," fearing change.

Why else would the people, so insistent on change, reelect some 94% of their Congressman and most of their State lawmakers? Is it simply a matter of proximity? A President or a Governor, to most of us, is an impersonal functionary far removed from daily life and frequent contact. A Representative or Senator is usually referred to as "my" Senator, whereas the titular State and Federal chiefs are referred to as "the" Governor or "the" President. The closer the relationship, the harder it seems to be to accept a change.

This psychological casuistry is not limited to politics. In the course of my business career, I was associated with several department stores. No two were alike in merchandise content, size, structure, customer base, taste level or price range, but in one regard they were all the same. As a new executive, I attempted to merge my experience with what I found in place. Universally, my attempts were greeted with, "We don't do it that way at Gimbels," or, "We never did it that way before."

A week or so ago I watched a McNeil-Lehrer News Hour during which the question of homosexual service in the Armed Forces was being debated. The debaters were a white gay female former Captain and a retired black male General. McNeil missed what could have been, in my view, a decisive comment.

It was not long ago that the question of females in the active services was debated with fervent furor. Dire predictions depicted the orgies, the chaos, the breakdown of discipline and the diminution of excellence that would result.

It was not long ago that the plan to integrate blacks into white units caused a similar uproar. Again, sages proclaimed the downfall of all that was good about the Army.

For the most part, women and blacks were integrated with few problems. Women and blacks went on to distinguish themselves, rising to the highest ranks, even to a Chief of the General Staff.

Gays have been in fighting forces at least since pre-Biblical times. Some were "out" in the days of Rome and Greece. Remember the Turkish officer in "Lawrence of Arabia?" Literature is replete with gay involvement in the military in European and Asian cultures. And if the truth be

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On The Shelf

By Rosemary Waltos

The Gift of Books

Books make great gifts. Many of the books on this list are available at the Millbury Public Library for your perusal before making your holiday purchases. Next week, look for book recommendations for children.

JFK: Reckless Youth by Nigel Hamilton: the first volume in this series provides a candid and balanced portrait of young John F. Kennedy. $30.

Rascal King: The Life and Times of James Michael Curley by Jack Beatty. The politics of our century revealed in a story of one of Boston's beloved bad-boy mayors. $25.

New England Coast by William and Jean Hubbell. A photographic essay of the New England Coastline from rugged vistas of Arcadia National Park to the sandy beaches of Newport. $29.50

Monet by Sandro Sproccati. An exploration of the artist's life and work, featuring over 250 color reproductions of Monet's most important paintings. $39.98.

Two Lives by Georgia O'Keefe and Alfred Stieglitz. Full color paintings juxtaposed with duotone photographs examine the affinities between revered painter and acclaimed photographer. $40.

Robert Frost Season by Robert Frost. Discover the natural beauty of Frost's verse, interpreted through the lens of acclaimed nature photographer Christopher Burkett. $50.

The Sophisticated Cat, Joyce Carol Oates and Daniel Halpern, editors. Here's the ever-popular feline, captured in prose and poetry by some of the world's finest writers. $23.

Mother Earth: Through the Eyes of Women Photographers and Writers, Julie Boice, editor. View the power and fragility of nature unfolded by the feminine perspective. $20.

Bartlett's Familiar Quotations, 16th edition. The latest update is a must for your home reference library. Includes over 20,000 quotations. $40.

The Book of Tea by Alain Stella. The history, ritual, myth and mysteries from the gardens of Burma to the tea rooms of London. $50.

Home for the Holidays by Ken Haedrich. Easy-to-follow, no fuss recipes for healthy, whole-grain holiday baking. $25.

Tracking and the Art of Seeing by Paul Rezendes. A complete guide for hikers and backyard trackers to the tracks and signs of North American mammals, with over 300 photos and drawings. $20.

The Private World of Tasha Tudor , photographed by Richard Brown. Visit the enchanting Victorian world of the beloved children's author and illustrator. $35.

D-Day: 6 June 1944 by Richard Collier and John Kalbain. A military history with hundreds of rare photographs, illustrations, maps and firsthand accounts of the greatest seaborn invasion in history. $45.

Reflections from the Clergy

At the request of local clergy, the Millbury-Sutton Chronicle will feature a weekly column with articles to be submitted by area clergy. This week's column was written by The Rev. Jane Haley, pastor of the First Congregational Church, Millbury.

God gave me two children who were each born during Advent, the oldest at the beginning, the youngest in the middle of Advent. I used to perceive this as a difficulty. As the children have gotten older and I have become wiser, I have figured out that it is a blessing.

Their birthdays help me to slow down and truly celebrate their special days. Their birthdays help me to make my Christmas preparations simple and remember whose birthday it is anyway.

I think it is important to give children the neatest gifts in honor of their own birth. Then, when it comes time to celebrate Jesus' birth, the gifts we give reflect giving to honor Jesus and not ourselves.

As we make preparations during Advent to celebrate Christ's birth, let us remember who Christ came to serve. Let us remember the hungry, the thirsty, the naked and the imprisoned in our holiday gift-giving and we will remember whose birthday it is anyway.

Peace,
Pastor Jane

Italian Buffet luncheon

MILLBURY - The Women's Council of the Millbury Baptist Church will host an Italian Buffet Luncheon on Thursday, December 10, from 11:30 a.m. to 1:15 p.m. in the Fellowship Hall of the church on Main Street next to the common. The menu will include Italian Meatballs, Ziti, Sausage and Peppers, Lasagna, Tossed Salad, Italian Bread, hot or cold beverages, and Strawberry Surprise for dessert. The cost is $4.75. Lunches may also be ordered "to go" by calling Sandy Gilbert at 865-5176.

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acknowledged, gays have been and are now in our forces.

Whites, minorities, women, and homosexuals who look for trouble find it. Men and women in the services, regardless of person or personality, will not be a problem if they do their jobs, gain the respect of their fellows, and remember that first and foremost they are volunteer members of the Armed Forces.

As in the past, the prophets of doom will get over their Xenophobia.

National home care week, Dec. 1-7

MILLBURY - The District Nursing Society (DNS) is an 81-year old free-standing non-profit home health agency providing home health and other community health services in Millbury, Sutton and many other surrounding towns. Services include skilled home health care, home health aides, homemakers, public health nursing for the towns of Millbury and Sutton, nursing for the Assumption School, Congregate Housing coordination and Adult Day Health Care.

The DNS employs about 75 women, 15 full time and others on as needed basis. The DNS has experienced significant growth over the past five years and anticipates a 6% increase in skilled services for 1992.

After three full years of operation, the Adult Day Health Care facility has reached and is maintaining maximum capacity of 23 participants per day.

For 1992, it is anticipated that the agency will provide almost 30,000 home visits and 6,000 adult day care participant days.

The DNS is proud to honor its staff of skilled, committed, and compassionate individuals who diligently work to bring health care back home where it belongs. Homecare helps keep families together by bringing the recovering patents back into the comfort and security of their own home.

DNS would like to offer a sincere thank you to the individuals and organizations who contribute so generously throughout the year to support their work.

Plant Swap

GRAFTON - The Grafton Garden Club will hold a Yankee Plant Sale on Tuesday, December 8, at 7:30 p.m. in the Conference Room of the Grafton Municipal Center on Route 122. Club members are asked to bring a gift-wrapped plant or gardening related item with a value between $5-$10.

HERE . . . THERE . . . EVERYWHERE

Bits 'n Pieces

. . . Joe Morin

CONGRATULATIONS, MR. PRESIDENT-ELECT. May we take this opportunity to congratulate you, President-Elect Bill Clinton from Little Rock, Arkansas. You will assume an awesome responsibility; you will spend many sleepless nights; you will try to please as many as possible, knowing that it will be impossible; you will have to take stands on issues and problems that will, inevitably, be unpopular with some of the electorate; you will have to stockpile a lot of Bromo or Alka Seltzer. We're not trying to "scare" you off, you know what it's all about, but you have been chosen to lead all of us. The majority will support you when you will need it. The "Publicans" will give you a "honeymoon" period, but they say you will be "chaperoned" during this time.

There are many issues and problems to be addressed: education, cities, abortion, environment, labor, trade, foreign policy, welfare, defense, crime - my God! What an awesome responsibility. You made mention that you could handle them, you have solutions; at least you'll try. We'll find out, won't we? The Dems and Publicans will have to work together, hand in hand, if that is possible. We all have to pitch in and help straighten out these problems. God will Bless America, if we're deserving of it. Again, congrats to you. May your new journey be a productive and rewarding one for all!

NEW TENANTS FOR THE WHITE HOUSE!

Ah, the house where power resides. Where worldleaders meet and talk, eat, socialize. Where protesters demonstrate in front of, where medals are pinned on, awards presented. Weddings are sometimes held...eggs are rolled. Pres. Taft once called it "the loneliest place in the world..." Harry Truman called it "a glamorous prison." Where, during Andrew Jackson's inauguration there was an "Open White House," for a while...During the Civil War, Union soldiers were often found sleeping in reception rooms and spitting tobacco juice in the "corridors of power." During the years, swimming pools, indoor and outdoor were added, horseshoe pits, reading rooms, were also added at the new occupant's request. Bet there'll be a new music room, ayupp! Got to find a place for the saxophone, maybe a few drum setups, here and there. And, why not?

STAY AWAKE, or you will be zapped. In Japan, executive and upcomers sport a ring, not the usual kind, but an electronic ring which will activate and give a light "zap" to the bearer if he or she falls asleep, even for a moment during work hours or at meeting times. I kid you not!

THEY'RE B-A-A-A-C-C-K! CAUTION: 'Tis the season. Yupp! They will shoot at anything that moves. People are warned to coral the horses, cows, cats and dogs, bring 'em in for safe keeping. The killing season is now in progress. Need we say more?

Already in Connecticut, a jogger was shot and killed recently by a deer hunter; killed by a single blast of a shotgun. He was mistaken for a deer.

In Gray, Maine a hunter from Massachusetts killed a dog; the dog was wearing the protective cover of an orange collar; still he was mistaken for a deer! How some are allowed to go out and shoot at will, anything that moves, is beyond belief. Guns don't kill, people do. Nonsense! People AND guns kill!

TAX 'EM ALL! The trend today seems to be to tax that which are, or could be, injurious to our health. Well, let's take it a step further. How about milk? Butter? Bacon? Eggs? More tax on liquor? Supposedly all these are bad for us, injurious to our health. How about added taxes on cars, guns, boats, etc. If we're going to tax, tax 'em all. Just my opinion; nobody asked.

Oy! WE'RE AMAZED over the plethora of information available to anyone in this day and age. It's unbelievable, what with computers now handling daily news, sports, clubs of all sorts, built-in encyclopedias, magazines available on any subject to please the discriminating reader, it's just amazing, mind boggling! Now, if you're interested in the Holy Land, the Jerusalem Times is now available. Hope I checked the right box for the English version, not Yiddish! Biblical archeology is another subject that fascinates yours truly.

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Ludvigson Jewelers announces two holiday gift sales. **First**, the store wide sale, November 23rd through December 5th, 20% off our selection of jewelry, gift ware, watches and more. **Second**, the gold sale, November 27th through 29th (3 days only), savings of up to a third on all gold chains, earrings, bracelets, rings and more . . .

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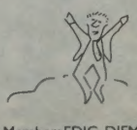

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Surplus food distribution at Manchaug Library

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Items for distribution may include: green beans, corn, peanut butter, canned tomatoes, raisins, butter, pears, applesauce, canned pork, cornmeal or flour.

Recipients must show proof of income eligibility such as: WIC, Fuel Assistance, Medicaid, SSI, or Low Income Housing, Head Start, Food Stamps, AFDC, or Veteran's Aid. Low income range is as follows: (Household Size) 1 (Income Range) $9,930; 2 - $13,320; 3 - $16,710; 4 - $20,100; 5 - $23,490; 6 - $26,880; 7 - $30,720; 8 - $33,660.

From My Window on Farnsworth Court

By "Pastor Rae" Cameron

Revival has come and is under way. Thanksgiving Eve we had an Ecumenical Service at St. Mark's in Sutton, and it was a real blessing to all who attended. The Rev. Dr. Roosevelt Hughes, Pastor of the John Street Baptist Church in Worcester, delivered what was referred to as a "Homily" in the program, but, believe me, he really preached. It was this Black Baptist's first time preaching in a Roman Catholic church and so he tamed it down a bit, but even then it was dynamic. He even brought his own cheering section from his church, which speaks well of him. Someone told me that after that service, they attended a Mass the next morning and had to restrain themselves from shouting out "amen."

The other day, I visited the psychiatric wards of three different hospitals. All of these dear folks were suffering from depression. Praise the Lord, I had just received a folder on depression from the American Association of Pastoral Counselors, and I also had in my Christmas files an article on "Overcoming Holiday Blues." With shorter days and longer nights and all the holiday bustle, this is a hard time of year for anyone with depression tendencies. More on this next week.

Following are the symptoms listed for depression. If you have several of these for two weeks or more, you could have clinical depression and should consult your doctor: feelings of sadness or irritability; loss of interest or pleasure in activities once enjoyed; changes in weight or appetite; changes in sleeping pattern; feeling guilty, hopeless or worthless; inability to concentrate, remember things or make decisions; fatigue or loss of energy; restlessness or decreased activity; complaints of physical aches and pains for which no medical explanation can be found; thoughts of death or suicide.

For a free brochure about clinical depression, call 1-800-969-6642. There is help for you through the works of a psychiatrist, and most clergy have had some training and expertise in sharing the spiritual dimensions of your needs. Trust the Lord. Amen.

Women's Bowling League

Pat Gaspar had high triple with strings of 117/101/92 for a 310 game. Bowling over 100 were: Pat Gaspar, 117/101/92; Charlotte Gabree, 113; Ellen Bouvier, 112; Debbie Boire, 110; Sandy Hamilton, 100; Kathy Marble, 100; and Becky Rushton, 100.

TEAM STANDINGS

PLACE	TEAM	WON	LOST
1	#5 Sisters Plus One	59	21
1	#3 The Shadows	45	35
2	#1 Patti's Pin-Ups	43	37
3	#6 Gail's Gabbers	40	40
4	#4 Joanie & the Jets	35	45
5	#2 Kathy's Marbles	18	62

HIGH SINGLE
Joan DeSantis 142
Pat Gaspar 133
Charlotte Gabree 128

HIGH TRIPLE
Pat Gaspar 370
Joan DeSantis 358
Kathy Marble 330

Christmas Tea

MILLBURY - The Women's Fellowship of the First Congregational Church on West Main Street will hold a monthly meeting on Thursday, December 10, at 7:30 p.m. A "Christmas Tea" will be held and followed by a Christmas gift wrap. Refreshments will be served by the Program Committee. Everyone is asked to bring a $3.00 Christmas gift. All women of the Church and guests are invited to attend.

Hunneman & Company honors local realtors

GRAFTON - Hunneman & Co., Coldwell Banker, the state's largest Real Estate Company, announced last week that two sales associates from their Grafton office were tops in the entire company for both sales and listings sold.

Francis Koliss, also from Grafton, was recognized as the top selling agent in Hunneman & Companies 40 office operation for the third quarter. Koliss has been associated with Hunneman's Grafton office for four years and has been a top agent since joining the firm. She is President of the Greater Worcester Board of Realtors Region V, has been involved in Board activities for a number of years, and has been recognized for her contributions.

Kathleen Gale, a long time Grafton resident and a local Realtor for over 20 years, was recognized as the Top Agent in the firm for listings sold in the third quarter. Gale, a Vice President of the company and a consistent top producer, has received numerous awards during her career. She is a member of the Worcester Board of Realtors and the Women's Council of Realtors.

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Toys for Tots

GRAFTON - Coldwell Banker Real Estate, in conjunction with the United States Marine Corps Reserves, is once again sponsoring the annual Toys for Tots campaign in the area.

Over the past five years, hundreds of gifts have been donated by local residents. Needed are new, unwrapped toys for a child of any age. They can be dropped off anytime before December 15th at Coldwell Banker Real Estate, 80 Worcester Street, Grafton.

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DNS employees receive awards

MILLBURY - The District Nursing Society announced that Pat Bardier received an award from the Massachusetts Rehabilitation Commission Home Care Assistance Program for being an Outstanding Coordinator of Homemakers and Home Heath Aides. "Pat is exceptional in her work with consumers," the announcement said. "She has a kind, caring, compassionate way of handling telephone communication and homemaker introductory and supervisory visits. Pat is always calm and respectful and demonstrates sensitivity to disability. She has made a difference in the lives of many clients through her dedication to high quality service."

CHRONICLE photo by Alexander A. Belisle

DNS employees recently honored: (l-r) Toni Jacques, Grace Laflash, and Marie Waszkiewicz.

The Massachusetts Council for Homemaker-Home Health Aide Services recognized two DNS employees this year. Toni Jacques was recognized with appreciation for her nomination for the Hilda Larocca Home Health Aide Award for 1992. Grace Laflash was recognized with appreciation as a nominee for the Effie Chalmers Waddell Homemaker Award for 1992. This recognition for outstanding service singles out people who, because of unusual qualifications or application of skills, exemplify the highest caliber of service performed by dedicated homemakers and aides across the state.

Marie Waszkiewicz was chosen by District Nursing Society supervisors as the "Outstanding Homemaker/Home Health Aide of the Year" who serves clients of Elder Home Care Services of Worcester Area, Inc.

Each of these exceptional employees was honored at the recent annual meetings of the awarding organizations.

Santa stops by

MILLBURY - Pauline Arsenault , a resident of the Congregate Housing program on Colonial Drive, gave her wish list to Santa at the Adult Day Health Care Center's holiday craft fair recently. Santa (a.k.a. Joe Coombs) is said to be a very active volunteer at the Center and in the Lions Club as well. Also volunteering their time and talents were two of Santa's elves: Shawn Gauvin and Jayne Clawson.

Roast Beef Supper

SUTTON - The First Congregational Church of Sutton will host a Roast Beef Supper on Saturday, December 5, with sittings at 5 and 6:15 p.m. Tickets are $6.00 for adults and $2.00 for preteens. Children 5 and under are admitted free of charge.

P.O. Holiday Hours

MILLBURY - To better accommodate mailing needs, the Millbury Post Office has provided a collection box on School Street which will allow you to deposit your letters without leaving your vehicle.

The lobby hours have been extended for the holiday season as follows: Saturday, December 12, 8 a.m. to 3 p.m.; Monday through Friday, December 14-18, 8 a.m. to 6 p.m.; Saturday, December 19, 8 a.m. to 3 p.m.; Monday-Wednesday, December 21-23, 8 a.m. to 6 p.m.; Thursday, December 24, 8 a.m. to noon.

The employees and management at the Millbury Post Office would like to extend their very best wishes for a safe and joyous holiday season.

Tapes on Sale

MILLBURY - The Millbury Super Park Committee would like to thank Bill LaCrosse for his donation to the Super Park Fund to purchase Tommy Remlock's "About Our Town of Millbury" tapes.

All profits from the sale of the tapes will benefit the Super Park's "Woolie World." The tapes are available for $5 by calling Jan Morin at 865-5652 or Evelyn Plante at 865-5496.

DEADLINE

The deadline for all submissions to the Millbury-Sutton Chronicle is Saturday noon of the week prior to publication. The office is closed on Saturdays, but announcements, subscription renewals, etc. may be left in the mail box to the right of the side entrance door.

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I would like to express my sincerest thanks to all who celebrated our Fifth Anniversary and Christmas Open House with us on Sunday. I am very thankful for the wonderful turnout and for being so fortunate to have met so many nice people and made so many wonderful friends during our five years of servicing your floral needs. We look forward to continuing servicing all of your floral needs for many years to come. I would also like to thank my staff, family and friends for the endless hours they worked to set up for our Open House. You did a great job, and you should be very proud of yourselves. I'm very appreciative.

Thank You,

Darlene Papalardo

The winners of our Annual Open House drawing were: Ann Marie O'Shea, Jeanne Jonis, and Arlene Choiniere.

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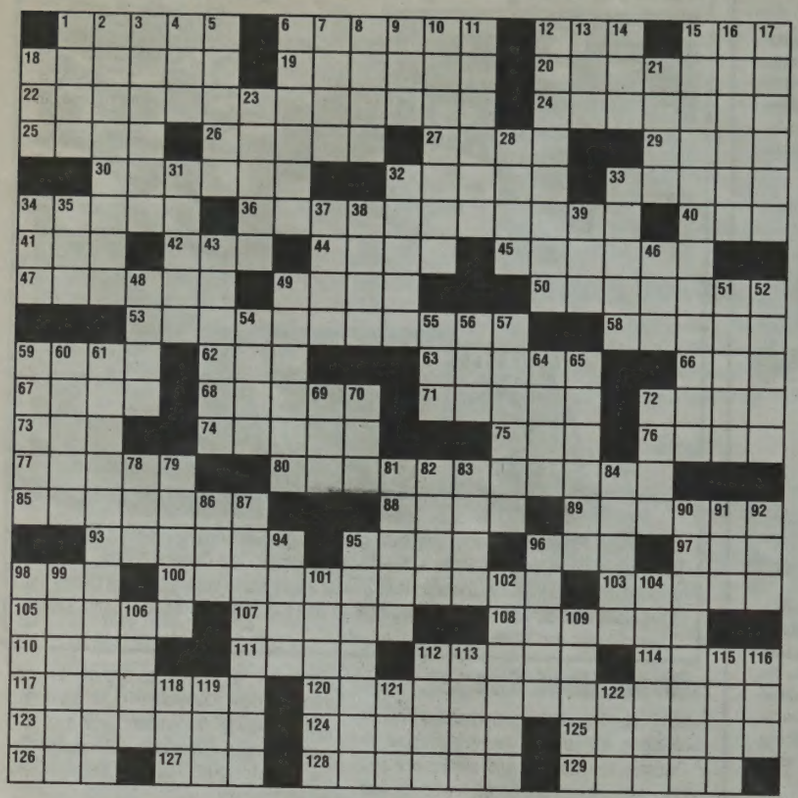

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18 Robin Gibb, for one
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22 Before and after Glasgow?
24 Kind of translation
25 Hammett's "The — Curse"
26 Link up with
27 "— Rose": from "The Music Man"
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30 Hold by condensation
32 Discharges
33 To date
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Millbury Planning Board
NOTICE OF PUBLIC HEARING

In accordance with the provisions of Chapter 40A of the Massachusetts General Laws, the Millbury Planning Board will hold a public hearing on December 14, 1992 at 7:00 p.m. at the Municipal Office Building, Planning Board Hearing Room, 127 Elm Street, Millbury, MA on the application of Todisco Shell Station, Route 146, Millbury for a sign special permit under Article 1, Section 14.11 (m) of the Millbury Zoning Bylaw.

Anyone wishing to be heard on this application should appear at the time and place designated above.

Ann Kniskern, Chairwoman
November 26 and December 3, 1992

Legals...Legals

Sutton Planning Board
NOTICE OF PUBLIC HEARING

In accordance with the provisions of the Sutton Zoning Bylaws and M.G.L., the Planning Board will hold a public hearing on December 21, 1992 at 7:45 PM in the Municipal Center, to review the proposed Sutton Planning Board Rules and Regulations Governing Site Plan Review and Planned Business Developments.

Copies of the proposed text may be inspected at the Town Clerk's Office during regular office hours.

Any person wishing or interested to be heard should appear at the time and place designated.

Scott Paul, Chairman
Thursday, December 3, 1992

Bookmark contest winners

CHRONICLE photo by Alexander A. Belisle

MILLBURY - Winners of the Millbury Public Library's Annual Bookmark Contest: front row (l-r) Jessica Ellis, Nicole Webb, Nicole Grigas, Nicole Gingras, Chloe Zona; back row (l-r) Danielle Belair, Dawn Eringi, Kelly Henry, and Brendan Keenan.

Free Brochure on Holiday Events in the Valley

CUMBERLAND, RI - The Blackstone Valley Tourism Council has produced a free brochure listing many holiday events in the Blackstone River Valley. Among the various events are concerts, bazaars, and the lighting of Christmas trees. To obtain a brochure, call (401) 334-7773 or write to Blackstone Valley Tourism Council, P.O. Box 7663, Cumberland, RI 02864.

Swedish singer in concert

WORCESTER - On Sunday, December 13, at 4:00 p.m., the world famous Swedish Singer Gunnar Melin will be in concert at The Salvation Army, Quinsigamond Corps, 884 Millbury Street.

Snow and ice remover to benefit Dismas House

MILLBURY - Lenny's Liquors, Rte., 146 at McCracken Road and the Todisco Shell Station, also on Route 146 will be carrying a snow and ice remover in a fundraising effort for Dismas House. Proceeds from the sale of the $6.00 item will benefit the non-profit home and center which was established to assist ex-prison inmates in the transition to become worthwhile members of the community.

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MORIN from Page 7

THE PLAYER piano! Remember those big ol' music boxes? Drop in a roll and start pumping. What sweet music, what an easy way to "play" the piano. Had one way back when, such a huge thing, took up the whole side of the wall. Opted for a smaller job, sold it to my chagrin. Felt the urge for the old piano music again, called up to inquire about prices. Was zapped to find out that a half-way decent one would run about $6,000 to $8,000; that's dollars, if you please. Wow! Talk about inflation. We did have a favorite roll, "Under the Double Eagle!" What a sound, what beautiful music.

CIG SMOKE injurious to your health? Go out early in the morning and take a whiff of that wet wood burning in fireplaces around town; the haze just seems to settle. In some places, the smell penetrates neighbor's homes even with windows shut tight. But that's life, ya got to grin and bear it!

A LEGEND? AN OLD WIVE'S TALE? FOR REAL? It is said that St. Spyridon, whose body they say is still preserved, has to have his "shoes" changed every year. I kid you not! They say the shoes are worn out from his "frequent visits" to others, blessing them, etc. I'm not being funny or ridiculing the saint, that's what I hear, that's what I read.

HOW ABOUT THAT? Bill Cosby has something you probably can't afford: a $20 million executive jet. (I've got a small Chrysler; it gets me there, just as well, not as fast, though.) Did you know that of the things sent by the U.S. Postal Service, only 6% are ordinary letters; 83% are business correspondence; 50% are advertising. I'm not surprised, what with faxing and computers now about to transmit letters from house to house. Did you know that some countries in Europe have passed laws that restrict the popping of champagne corks? Yupp! They must have tethers attached to keep the cork from injuring somebody. Now, friends, would I kid you? Nay, nay!

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WHERE WE PART...elsewhere in the column we wished our President-Elect best wishes in his new endeavor. But we part company when it comes to the abortion issue. He's "Pro Choice," but there are millions out there who think otherwise!

FRIENDS, I JUST HAVE to recount this story to you...

MY friend is a rather old fashioned lady, always quite delicate and elegant, especially in her language. She and her husband were planing a week's vacation in Florida, so she wrote to a particular campground and asked for a reservation.

SHE wanted to make sure the campground was fully equipped, but didn't know quite how to ask about the toilet facilities. She just couldn't bring herself to write the word "toilet" in her letter. After much deliberation, she finally came up with the old fashioned term "bathroom commode." But when she wrote that down, she still thought she was being too forward so she started all over again and referred to the bathroom commode merely as B.C.

WELL, the campground owner wasn't old fashioned at all, and when he got the letter he just couldn't figure out what the woman was talking bout. The B.C. business really stumped him. He showed the letter to several campers, but they couldn't imagine what the lady meant either. So he finally came to the conclusion that she must be asking about the location for the local Baptist Church, and sat down and wrote the following reply:

"DEAR MADAM: I regret very much the delay in answering your letter, but I now take pleasure in informing you that a B.C. is located nine miles north of the campground and is capable of seating 250 people at one time. I admit it is quite a distance way if you are in the habit of going regularly, but no doubt you will be pleased to know that a great number of people take their lunches along and make a day of it. They usually arrive early and stay late. The last time my wife and I went was six years ago, and it was so crowded we had to stand up the whole time we were there. It may be of interest to you to know that right now there is a supper planned to raise money to buy more seats. They are going to hold it in the basement of the B.C.

I WOULD like to say it pains me very much not to be able to go more regularly, but it surely is no lack of desire on my part. As we grow older, it seems to be more of an effort, particularly in the cold weather.

If you desire to come down to our campground, perhaps I could go with you the first time you go, sit with you, and introduce you to all the other fine people.

CAN YOU picture that little old lady reading that response from the campground? I can hear her now!

Well, mes amis, it's time to call it another day. Hey, if you could find a spare moment, say a prayer for those nine nuns murdered in Liberia; truly saints in the real sense of the word. Let's remember our President-Elect, also. He's going to need all the help he can get.

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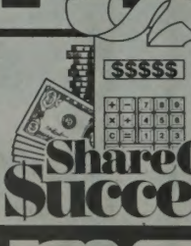

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